

### **Remarks**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on May, 18, 2005. By the above amendments, claims 1-28 remain pending and claim 29 has been added. The above amendments do not present new matter. Thus, entry of the amendments and reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action, it was requested that the trademark VELCRO be capitalized within the specification of the application-at-issue. To this end, Applicant has amended the specification to change "a Velcro® strap" to "a conventional hook and loop-type fastener, such as VELCRO,".

Turning to the claims, claim 12 stands objected to because, as stated in the Office Action, "it appears that 'comprising' (line 1) should read 'comprises' and 'including' (line 3) should read 'includes.'" To clear up any possible confusion, Applicant has deleted the term "wherein" within claim 12, and replaced the term "including" with the term "comprising." Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection be removed.

Also in the Office Action, claims 14 and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, for containing the trademark/trade name VELCRO. Accordingly, Applicant has amended the claims to replace the term VELCRO with the phrase "hook and loop-type fastener."

Turning to the allowable subject matter, the Examiner noted that the prior art of record fails to teach or suggest, among other things, "1) a flexible strap having at least one aperture or 2) a bracket overlaying one or more of the sensor housing or a wiring device that is electrically connected with the sensor housing, the bracket attached to a

backing substrate, in combination with the other claimed elements." Thus, the Examiner stated that claims "10 and 12-21 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in [the] Office action and to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims."

As a result of the statements by the Examiner, independent claims 1 and 22 have been amended to include, among other things, the limitation of a flexible strap having at least one aperture. Likewise, independent claim 17 requires, among other things, at least one bracket overlaying one or more of the housing and the wiring device, and attached to the backing substrate. Furthermore, independent claim 27 requires, among other things, at least one bracket overlaying and affixed to at least one of the sensor housing and the wiring device and the backing substrate.

Accordingly, all claims are believed by the Applicant to be in condition for allowance. Should anything further be required, a telephone call to the undersigned at (312) 226-1818 is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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